

Chief District Judge Marsha J. Pechman



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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MICHAEL VUU and  
LYNN NGUYEN,

Defendants.

CASE NO. CR13-0053MJP

FINAL ORDER OF FORFEITURE

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on motion of the United States for entry of a Final Order of Forfeiture with respect to the following properties (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Subject Properties"):

1. One (1) white Toyota Tacoma truck bearing Washington state license number B55388U and VIN 3TMLU4EN2CM084000;
2. Miscellaneous fish tanks, water pumping and filtration equipment and assorted aquarium supplies seized from the residence located at [REDACTED] Federal Way, Washington, on or about August 23, 2012; and,
3. Four (4) Asian arowana fish seized from the residence located at [REDACTED] Federal Way, Washington, on or about August 23, 2012.

1 On March 5, 2013, this Court entered Preliminary Orders of Forfeiture in the above-  
2 captioned case, forfeiting the interests of Defendants MICHAEL VUU and LYNN  
3 NGUYEN (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Defendants") in the Subject Properties.

4 The Subject Properties are subject to forfeiture pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 3374 and  
5 28 U.S.C. § 2461 as fish or wildlife or plants imported, exported, transported, sold, received,  
6 acquired, or purchased contrary to the provisions of the charged violation and/or vessels,  
7 vehicles, or other equipment used to aid in the importing, exporting, transporting, selling,  
8 receiving, acquiring, or purchasing of fish or wildlife or plants in violation of 16 U.S.C. §§  
9 3372(a)(1) and 3373(d)(1)(B), and 18 U.S.C. § 2 (Lacey Act/Trafficking in Endangered  
10 Species), to which Defendant pleaded guilty. In his Plea Agreement, Defendant MICHAEL  
11 VUU agreed to the forfeiture of the Subject Properties.

12 Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(n), the United States published notice on  
13 www.forfeiture.gov for at least thirty (30) consecutive days, beginning on March 7, 2013 and  
14 ending on April 5, 2013. In the publication, the United States published notice of the  
15 Preliminary Order of Forfeiture and the intent of the United States to dispose of the  
16 properties in accordance with law. This notice further stated that any person, other than the  
17 defendant, having or claiming a legal interest in the above-described properties, was required  
18 to file a petition with the Court within sixty (60) days of the first date of publication of  
19 notice, setting forth the nature of the petitioner's right, title, and interest in the properties.

20 All persons and entities believed to have an interest in the property subject to  
21 forfeiture were given proper notice of the intended forfeiture. No petitioners or claimants  
22 have come forth to assert an interest in any of the forfeited property and the time for doing so  
23 has expired. Accordingly,

24 IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the following property is hereby  
25 fully and finally condemned and forfeited to the United States in its entirety:


- 26 1. One (1) white Toyota Tacoma truck bearing Washington state license number  
27 B55388U and VIN 3TMLU4EN2CM084000;  
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2. Miscellaneous fish tanks, water pumping and filtration equipment and assorted aquarium supplies seized from the residence located at [REDACTED], Federal Way, Washington, on or about August 23, 2012; and,
3. Four (4) Asian arowana fish seized from the residence located at [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Federal Way, Washington, on or about August 23, 2012.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that no right, title, or interest to the above-described property shall exist in any other party.


The United States Marshals Service is authorized to dispose of the above-described property in accordance with law.

DATED this 2 day of August, 2013.



MARSHA J. PECHMAN  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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